UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,) CIVIL ACTION No. 4:17-cv-02166
- v)
THE M/Y GALACTICA STAR, et al.)
Defendants In Rem)
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UNITED STATES' STATUS REPORT ON STAYED CASE

On March 9, 2018, Plaintiff United States of America ("the government") filed a Motion for Partial Stay Under 18 U.S.C. § 981(g)(1) ("the Motion") (ECF No. 94). On May 7, 2018, this Court entered a partial stay of this case and required the government to submit a status report every 180 days in order to enable the Court to monitor the status of this action (ECF No. 123).

Contemporaneously with the filing of this status report, the government is submitting an application to file, under seal and *in camera*, a more detailed declaration and status report. Any further status reports will be premised upon the facts set out in the proposed sealed *in camera* filing referenced here, and the government will be requesting leave to file future status reports under seal and *in camera*.

The government will continue to timely report to the Court as directed in the May 7, 2018, Order, and respectfully requests that the Court's prior order staying all proceedings continue until vacated by the Court.

Dated: November 5, 2018 Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 5, 2018, I caused the foregoing document to be served, via CM/ECF, to all counsel of record in this action.

By: <u>/s/ Joshua L. Sohn</u> Joshua L. Sohn